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Response Due Date 11/18/2015

**IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00238204** 

REFERENCE: JULY QUARTERLY REPORT (01/01/2015 - 06/30/2015)

## Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. Failure to adequately respond by the response date noted above could result in an audit or enforcement action. Additional information is needed for the following 1 item(s):

1. Schedule B of your report (see attached) discloses one or more contributions which appear to exceed the limits set forth in the Act. Please be advised that 52 U.S.C. §30116(a) (formerly 2 U.S.C. §441a(a)) prohibits a multicandidate committee and its affiliates from making a contribution to a candidate for federal office in excess of \$5,000 per election.

If any apparently excessive contribution in question was incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you should amend your original report with clarifying information.

If any contribution you made exceeds the limits, you must request a refund of the excessive amount or provide a written authorization for a redesignation of the contribution pursuant to 11 CFR §110.2(b) within 60 days of the treasurer's receipt.

If the foregoing conditions for redesignations were not met within 60 days of the treasurer's receipt, your committee must obtain a refund of the excessive amount.

Please inform the Commission of your corrective action promptly in writing and provide a photocopy of the refund or redesignation request sent to the

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recipient committee(s). In addition, any refunds should be disclosed on Schedule A supporting Line 16 of the report covering the period during which they are received. Any redesignations should be disclosed as memo entries on Schedule B supporting Line 23 of the report covering the period during which the redesignation is made. (11 CFR §110.1(b))

Although the Commission may take further legal action regarding the excessive contribution(s), your prompt action in obtaining a refund and/or redesignating the contribution(s) will be taken into consideration. (11 CFR §103.3(b)(1) and (3))

- Schedule H4 discloses activity which is paid for with 100% non-federal funds. For future filings, please be advised that any activity which is financed entirely by the federal account (including administrative expenses), should be reported on Schedule B supporting Line 21(b). Any activity which is 100% non-federal and permissibly financed entirely by the non-federal account, should not be disclosed on the FEC Form 3X (11 CFR §104.10)

For your information and consideration when preparing future filings, Separate Segregated Funds and Nonconnected committees that have established a federal account and a non-federal account may pay administrative expenses, costs for generic voter drives and expenses related to public communications referencing any political party from their federal account, or allocate between their federal and non-federal accounts. Committees that choose to allocate these expenses must disclose the allocation ratio to be applied to each category of activity on a Schedule H1.

Schedule H2 is used by all political committees to report the allocation ratios of their joint federal and non-federal fundraising events and direct candidate support programs. Schedule H2 is filed with each report that discloses a disbursement for allocated activity. Schedule H3 is used by all political committees to report transfers received by the federal account from the non-federal account(s) to pay the non-federal share of allocable expenses.

Any expenditures made on behalf of both federal and non-federal candidates (including in-kind contributions and independent expenditures) must be allocated between your committee's federal and non-federal accounts. Schedule H4 is used by all political committees to report payments for allocable expenses. (11 CFR §106.1(a))

For your next filing, please refer to the instructions for each line and schedule

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when determining the proper categorization(s).

Please note, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter. Adequate responses must be received by the Commission on or before the due date noted above to be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to taking enforcement action. Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered.

Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you should have any questions regarding this matter or wish to verify the adequacy of your response, please contact me on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 5 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or my local number (202) 694-1157.

Sincerely,

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## Impermissible, Excessive, and Prohibited Contributions Pakastani American Public Affairs Committee PAK-PAC (C00238204)

## **Excessive Contributions to a Candidate**

Recipient Name	Date	Amount	Election	Report
ELLISON FOR CONGRESS	5/28/15	\$10,000.00	P2016	2015 July Quarterly
SWALWELL FOR CONGRESS	3/31/15	\$8,650.00	P2016	2015 July Quarterly